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SCALBY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL



A N N U A L R E P O R T

of the

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH FOR THE SCALBY

URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL IN RESPECT OF THE

YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 1968

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To the Chairman and Members of
the Scalby Urban District Council

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH
FOR THE SCALBY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL FOR THE
YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 1968

Mr. Chairman, Gentlemen,

I beg to submit my Report for 1968.

I am glad to report that for the second successive year there were no infant deaths in Scalby.

It should also be noted that there were no notifications of Pulmonary Tuberculosis or Whooping Cough.

In conclusion, I acknowledge gratefully the co-operation of the other officers of the Council and the courtesy and consideration of the Councillors.

I am,
Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,
Your obedient servant,

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The Public Health and Lighting Committee of the Scalby Urban District Council and the Social Services Committee of the North Riding County Council are concerned with matters of public health in the Urban District.

VITAL STATISTICS

Population

The mid-year population estimated by the Registrar-General at 8,260 shows an increase of 330 compared with 1967.

Births

A total of 100 live and still-births gave a live birth-rate adjusted of 11.5 per 1,000 population.

| <u>Live Births</u> | <u>Male</u> | <u>Female</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|--------------------|-------------|---------------|--------------|
| Legitimate | 42 | 47 | 89 |
| Illegitimate | 3 | 6 | 9 |
| | <u>45</u> | <u>53</u> | <u>98</u> |

Illegitimate live births, per cent of total live births = 9.18%

| <u>Still-births</u> | <u>Male</u> | <u>Female</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|---------------------|-------------|---------------|--------------|
| Legitimate | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Illegitimate | - | - | - |
| | <u>1</u> | <u>1</u> | <u>2</u> |

Deaths

Of the 97 deaths among Scalby Urban District Council residents 36 occurred in persons aged 75 and over.

| <u>Cause of Death</u> | <u>Male</u> | <u>Female</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|--|-------------|---------------|--------------|
| Other infective and parasitic diseases | 1 | - | 1 |
| Malignant neoplasm - stomach | 3 | - | 3 |
| Malignant neoplasm - lung, bronchus | 1 | - | 1 |
| Malignant neoplasm - breast | - | 4 | 4 |
| Leukaemia | - | 1 | 1 |
| Other malignant neoplasms, etc. | 10 | 3 | 13 |
| Benign and unspecified neoplasms | - | 1 | 1 |
| Other diseases of nervous system, etc. | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Hypertensive disease | 1 | - | 1 |
| Ischaemic heart disease | 22 | 15 | 37 |
| Other forms of heart disease | 2 | 3 | 5 |
| Cerebro-vascular disease | 4 | 9 | 13 |
| Other diseases of circulatory system | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Pneumonia | - | 3 | 3 |
| Intestinal obstruction and hernia | - | 1 | 1 |
| Nephritis and nephrosis | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| Other diseases genito-urinary system | 1 | - | 1 |
| Motor Vehicle accidents | 2 | - | 2 |
| All other accidents | 2 | 1 | 3 |
| | <u>52</u> | <u>45</u> | <u>97</u> |

The crude death rate of 11.7 per 1,000 population, when adjusted by applying the Comparability Factor to allow for age distribution, becomes 7.8 compared with 11.9 for England and Wales.

Infant Mortality Rates

| | |
|---|-----|
| Total infant deaths per 1,000 live births | Nil |
| Legitimate infant deaths per 1,000 legitimate live births | Nil |
| Illegitimate infant deaths per 1,000 illegitimate live births ... | Nil |
| Neo-natal Mortality Rates (deaths under 4 weeks per 1,000 total live births) | Nil |
| Early neo-natal Mortality Rate (deaths under 1 week per 1,000 total live births) | Nil |
| Perinatal Mortality Rate (still births and deaths under 1 week combined, per 1,000 total live and still-births) | Nil |
| Stillbirth rate per 1,000 total live and still-births | 20 |
| <u>Maternal Mortality Rate</u> (including Abortion) | Nil |

Table of Vital Statistics covering
the last 5 years

| Year | Popu- lations | Live and Still- Births | Live Birth rate per 1,000 Popu- lation Adjusted | Deaths | Rate per 1,000 Popu- lation Adjusted | Total Infant Deaths | Rate per 1,000 Live Births | Still- Births | Rate per 1,000 Live and Still- Births |
|-------------------|------------------|---------------------------------|--|--------|---|---------------------------|--|------------------|--|
| 1964 | 7660 | 114 | 16.8 | 123 | 12.2 | 1 | 8.9 | 2 | 17.5 |
| 1965 | 7820 | 108 | 15.7 | 98 | 9.5 | 3 | 28.3 | 2 | 18.5 |
| 1966 | 7830 | 125 | 18.3 | 108 | 10.4 | 3 | 24.2 | 1 | 8.0 |
| 1967 | 7930 | 100 | 12.2 | 103 | 8.6 | - | - | - | - |
| 1968 | 8260 | 100 | 11.5 | 97 | 7.8 | - | - | 2 | 20.0 |
| England and Wales | | | | | | | | | |
| (Provisional) | 1968 | | 16.9 | - | 11.9 | - | 18.0 | - | 14.0 |

Infectious Diseases - Notifications

| | |
|---------------|------------|
| Paratyphoid | 1 |
| Scarlet Fever | 2 |
| Measles | 130 |
| | <u>133</u> |

National Assistance Act 1948 (Section 47)

The Council was not called upon to take action under the above section which authorises an authority under section 47 to take steps to secure the transfer of persons in need of care and attention coming within the section, to hospital or other suitable institutions.

I am indebted to Mr. Horn, Public Health Inspector and Surveyor, for the following information:-

Housing

| | | |
|---|-----------------|---|
| Number completed by Local Authority | 1946-60 | 288 houses 4 shops 22 bungalows (Aged Persons) 1 Warden's house |
| Number completed by Private Enterprise | 1946-67 1968 | 1,115 houses 88 houses |
| Number completed by Scarborough Corporation with the Urban District | 1955-65 | 50 houses and flats |
| Number completed by North Riding Standing Joint Committee | 1956-65 | 7 houses |

The Scalby Urban District Council are erecting 30 one bedroomed bungalows and flats together with warden's house and common room for the aged at The Green, Newby. Central heating is being provided together with laundry facilities.

Private enterprise is supplying the major part of the housing needs in this area.

A cottage and outbuildings forming part of Scalby Hall was demolished to make way for new access road.

Water Supply

The District is served by piped water supply from Scarborough Water Undertaking.

17 samples have been submitted for chemical analysis and 77 samples to Public Health Laboratories for bacteriological examination. All proved to be of a satisfactory standard.

The water includes both temporary and permanent hardness and, therefore, is not susceptible to plumbo-solvent action in lead pipes.

| | | |
|---|-------|--------------------|
| Number of houses connected to mains | 3,290 | (8,239 population) |
| Number of houses not connected to mains | 7 | (21 population) |

The houses not connected to the Town mains are sited on the outskirts of the district and comprise farm dwellings. Private wells and springs supply their demand in this connection.

Moveable Dwellings

There are three scheduled caravan sites within the Urban District, all of which are authorised for the summer months only.

Pickering, High Mill Farm - occupied as a holiday site during the summer months

Smith, Scalby Close Filling Station - Planning approval given for a limited period for the siting of 3 caravans during the summer months

Hutton, High Farm - Re-approval of the siting of one caravan for a limited period

Thirty inspections were carried out.

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Refuse Collection

The refuse collection department continued to serve the district adequately and a weekly collection was maintained throughout the year.

A more frequent service was provided for business premises. Outlying farm premises were visited fortnightly.

Trade refuse requiring a special collection was treated as a rechargeable item based on a time and material basis.

Salvage Collection

Salvage collection was arranged by means of trailer attached to the refuse collection vehicle and only on special collections and in emergencies was this service accommodated by open vehicle.

127 tons 18 cwts. of waste paper was forwarded to Thames Board Mills during the year under review.

Refuse Tip, Burniston Road

During the past year we utilised the assistance of mechanical plant to control refuse disposal.

A fire broke out on the tip face on the 11th August, 1968, which was subsequently controlled.

Public Health Acts 1936 - 1961

100 inspections (excluding housing inspections) were carried out. 30 nuisances were detected and remedial work was carried out after informal action.

Offensive Trades

No business that could be construed as an offensive trade was registered in the Urban District during the past year.

Clean Air Act

No atmospheric pollution was evident during the fiscal period. This was possibly occasioned by the fact that Scalby Urban District is residential in character.

Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act 1963

70 visits were carried out under the Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act 1963 during the past year, and no unsatisfactory conditions were found.

Rodent Control

Ministry recommendations in rodent control were at all times adopted in the Urban District. Two part time rodent operatives carry out the requisite treatment and surveys as and where required.

The treatment for the year under review resulted in the estimated killing of 185 rats and the recovery of 58 rat bodies.

During survey work and subsequent treatments, there was an estimated kill of 11 mice and 9 bodies recovered.

The low degree of infestation in the area may have been due to consistent and effective treatment.

Workable Area Committee Neighbouring local authorities and officials of the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food met twice during the past twelve months. Subject matter under discussion was selected at the previous meeting in each case. Invaluable and informative data was obtained. Interesting lectures were given by the Ministry officials and Pickering Urban District Council acted as hosts on both occasions.

Food and Drugs Act 1955

Milk Supplies Milk licences and sampling was carried out by the North Riding County Council.

(a) Brucella Abortus Information indicated no appreciable incidence of this disease in the Urban District, any action necessary was taken by the North Riding County Council.

(b) Liquid Egg (Pasteurisation) Regulations, 1963 No treatment plants have been sited within the District.

(c) Food Hygiene (General) Regulations, 1960

| | | |
|---------------------------------|---|--------------------|
| Fish Shop | 2 | Regulation 16 & 19 |
| Butchers | 5 | Regulation 16 & 19 |
| Confectionery | 4 | Regulation 16 & 19 |
| Licensed Premises | 4 | Regulation 16 & 19 |
| Greengrocer | 3 | Regulation 16 |
| Schools | 2 | Regulation 16 & 19 |
| Nursery Schools | 2 | Regulation 16 & 19 |
| Hotels, Rest Homes & Hostels | 4 | Regulation 16 & 19 |
| Slaughterhouses | 3 | Regulation 16 & 19 |

(d) Poultry Inspection No poultry processing premises exist in the district.

General The introduction of the Self Service and Supermarkets where a variety of trades are handled has also increased butchery, greengrocery, etc. departments, and in the Urban District, two such premises selling butchers meat, greengrocery and confectionery have been included in list (c) above, and Regulations 16 and 19 are operative.

The local shopkeepers have displayed suitable notices in their premises prohibiting dogs.

| | |
|---|------------------------------------|
| Number of inspections carried out | 70 |
| Number of unsatisfactory conditions found | 8 (remedied after informal action) |

Icecream There are 18 registered premises in the Urban area. Sampling was carried out by the North Riding County Council.

Meat Inspection During the period under review, 100% inspection was carried out necessitating 387 visits.

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|--|-----------------------|
| Number of animals inspected | 2,398 |
| Weight of meat and offal voluntarily surrendered | 5 $\frac{3}{4}$ cwts. |

Slaughterhouses Three private slaughterhouses were again re-licensed. Twelve unsatisfactory conditions were found and remedied after informal action.

Slaughter of Animals Regulations No contraventions occurred.

Farms Eighteen farms are sited within the Urban District and 66% are milk producers.

Housing Acts 1957-64

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|--------------------------------------|-----|
| Number of inspections carried out | 145 |
| Number inspected for housing defects | 50 |

Six houses capable of repair were remedied after informal action, four of which took advantage of a Grant Aid Scheme under the House Purchase & Housing Act, 1959, as amended by the Housing Acts of 1961 and 1964.

Mortuary

The Urban District has provided one mortuary in Moor Lane, Newby, which also serves the Coroner's area and is available for sudden deaths and victims of road accidents. Post mortem facilities are not available.

Three cases were dealt with, one of which was from outside the Urban area.

Sewerage and Sewage Disposal

Schemes commenced during year: Further private sewers and combined drains are being laid to serve housing development in the area, including 1. C. R. Coates Ltd. (Lady Edith's Park Estate), 2. R. F. Ware & Sons Ltd. (Lawrence Grove), 3. F. Shepherd & Sons Ltd. (Scalby Hall Park) and 4. Mann Builders (The Glen Development, Hay Lane).

Schemes completed during year: L.H. Thompson (Builders) Ltd. (Moor Lane) and Glafield Homes Ltd. (Ridge Green)

Details of areas requiring sewerage and sewage disposal facilities: Land within the Urban District forming housing development is being adequately served by main sewers, apart from undeveloped parts of the district comprising isolated farm properties. The remainder of the area is served by main sewers with gravitational sea outfall.

Number of houses not connected to sewers: 68 - Most of which are served by private septic tanks and six properties served by private sewage disposal works.

Closet Accommodation and Drainage:

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|---|-------|
| No. of houses with water-carriage system | 3,295 |
| No. of houses without water-carriage system | 2 |

Sanitary Circumstances of the District in General

Abnormally wet weather over a protracted period caused sporadic flooding by surface water in certain areas during the year.

As in previous years, 100% inspection of all meat slaughtered in the Urban District was maintained.

Rodent Control - In accordance with Ministry recommendations, rodent control work has been effectively carried out.

Cluster Flies - I am pleased to report that houses previously infested now appear to be free.

Adoption of Private Streets

The following street was adopted during the year as a future maintainable highway at public expense.

Princess Close

ANNEX

Annual Report of the Medical Officer of Health
in respect of the year 1968 for the Urban District
of Scalby in the County of York

Prescribed Particulars on the Administration
of the Factories Act 1961

Part I of the Act

1. INSPECTIONS for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors)

| Premises (1) | Number on Register (2) | Inspections (3) | Number of Written notices (4) | Occupiers prosecuted (5) |
|--|---------------------------------|--------------------|--|--------------------------------|
| (i) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 & 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities | 12 | 26 | Nil | Nil |
| (ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| (iii) Other premises in which s.7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out-workers' premises) | 4 | 12 | Nil | Nil |
| Total | 16 | 38 | Nil | Nil |

2. Cases in which DEFECTS were found

| Particulars (1) | Number of Cases in which defects were found | | Referred to H.M. Inspector by H.M. Inspector | | No. of cases in which prosecutions were instituted (6) |
|---|---|-----------------|--|------------------|---|
| | Found (2) | Remedied (3) | Inspector (4) | Inspector (5) | |
| Want of cleanliness (s.1) | 2 | 2 | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| Overcrowding (s.2) | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| Unreasonable temperature (s.3) | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| Inadequate ventilation (s.4) | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| Ineffective drainage of floors (s.6) | 2 | 2 | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| Sanitary Conveniences (s.7) | | | | | |
| (a) Insufficient | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| (b) Unsuitable or defective | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| (c) Not separate for sexes | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Outwork) | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| Total | 4 | 4 | Nil | Nil | Nil |

Part VIII of the Act - OUTWORK (Sections 133 and 134) - NIL RETURNS



